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Otto Von Bismarck

* Chancellor of Germany he had to over come many obstacles.
* not the best student
* School
  + he would get drunk at his school
  + had only a stint time at a university.
* He would later marry Johanna von Puttkamer
  + She had a family that was in a high class.
* He would be elected to the Prussian chamber of deputies in 1849
  + He moved his family to Berlin.
* In 1859
  + Bismarck went to Russia as a Prussian prime minister
  + He moved to France to be the prime minister.
  + He became the “architects” of
    - Russia
    - France
    - Prussia.
* This will help him when he becomes prime minister because he has to deal with foreign affairs.
* In 1862, Otto Von Bismarck becomes the chancellor of the new Germany.
* Bismarck concentrated on building a powerful state
  + He unified national identity.
* One of his targets was the Catholic Church
  + he believed had too much influence
  + particularly in southern Germany
* He also worked to prevent the spread of socialism
  + by introducing health insurance and pensions
* Bismarck aimed to make the German empire the most powerful in Europe.
  + In 1879, he negotiated an alliance
    - Austria-Hungary
    - France
    - Russia
    - Italy later joined the alliance.
    - Britain,
    - Bismarck arranged the two Mediterranean Agreements of 1887, designed to preserve the threat against Russia.
* Became the new prime minister of Germany
* other countries didn’t take him serious. ”
  + The real emperor was King Wilhelm I of Prussia. His young grandson, King Wilhelm II, succeeded him in 1888. The new young emperor of Germany and the old Reichskanzeler Bismarck did not see eye-to-eye on home, social and foreign policy. In 1890, the Emperor intrigued for, and received, Bismarck's resignation. Noting the similarity of Bismarck's governmental position to the later position of Hitler, after 1945 Bismarck was sharply attacked as being a direct "spiritual" ancestor of Adolf Hitler and was alleged to bear some of Germany's guilt for both World Wars.”
* They don’t believe that Otto set the German people free and that King Wilhelm was still in charge.
* Otto Von Bismarck Succeeded with a lot of things in his life.
* He was able to start a country and build the basis on which it could strive to become good.
* He was able to set the people free from oppression and to start a new race of people.
* He started up their military power and supremacy.
* He set up treaties and alliances with other countries.
* He made them get noticed as a supreme county.